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In re application of: Rickie J. Wright

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 8, 2000, paper number 3. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, line 23, please delete "Figure 18. It shows cartridge-top (A) with mated absorbent core (B) and base unit (C)" and insert therefore Figure 19(A) shows a cartridge top. Figure 19(B) shows the mated absorbent core and Figure 19(C) shows the base unit.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-3.

4. (New) A surface protection system for protecting a surface from spillage of liquids, said system comprising:

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